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SUBJECT: REPORTED PROMOTION OF HOA VANG DISTRICT CHIEF: VIRTUE  
IS ITS OWN REWARD

FOLLOWING MSG REC FROM AMCONSUL DANANG ON APR 2, ACTION  
EMBASSY SAIGON REPEATED FOR YOUR INFO:

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SUBJ: REPORTED PROMOTION OF HOA VANG DISTRICT CHIEF:  
VIRTUE IS ITS OWN REWARD

1. I CORPS COMMANDER LTG NGO QUANG TRUONG TOLD ME TODAY  
THAT LTC MAI XUAN HAU, PRESENTLY CHIEF OF HOA VANG DISTRICT,  
QUANG NAM PROVINCE, HAS BEEN CHOSEN AS THE NEW PROVINCE  
CHIEF OF PHU YEN, REPLACING COLONEL NGUYEN VAN TO, WHO HAS  
JUST BEEN REMOVED FOR CORRUPTION. TRUONG OBSERVED SOMEWHAT  
WRYLY THAT SEVERAL MONTHS AGO THE PALACE HAD OFFERED HAU'S  
SERVICES AS A PROVINCE CHIEF IN MR I BUT THAT HE (TRUONG)  
HAD DECLINED POLITELY, ON THE GROUNDS THAT HE DID NOT FEEL  
HAU WAS UP TO SUCH RESPONSIBILITY. TRUONG OBSERVED THAT HAU  
WAS NOT A STRONG MILITARY COMMANDER, BUT HAD A TALENT FOR POLITICS.  
HAU'S REPLACEMENT, TRUONG SAID, WILL BE AN RF BATTALION COMMANDER  
FROM QUANG TIN WHO HAS RECENTLY SHOWN UNUSUAL SPIRIT IN CLEANING  
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OUT BARRIER ISLAND AND THE " PINEAPPLE" AREA NEAR TAM KY.

2. LTC HAU WAS THE MOST ZEALOUS OF ALL ORGANIZERS OF THE  
DEMOCRACY PARTY ( DP) IN QUANG NAM DURING THE SECOND HALF OF  
1972. HIS DISTRICT HAD THE FIRST CERTIFIED DP DISTRICT CHAPTER  
IN THE COUNTRY' S FIRST PROVINCE TO INAUGURATE A DP ORGANIZATION.  
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